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**Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/03 AND ENDING 12/31/03
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Hunting Party Securities, Ltd.

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ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

1010 Washington Boulevard

FIRM ID. NO.

(No. and Street)

Stamford

Connecticut

06901

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

Kevin Browne

(212) 485-1540

(Area Code -- Telephone No.)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Rothstein, Kass & Company, P.C.

(Name -- if individual, state last, first, middle name)

85 Livingston Avenue

Roseland

New Jersey

07068

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

☒ Certified Public Accountant☐ Public Accountant☐ Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions

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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Kevin Browne, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Hunting Party Securities, Ltd., as of December 31, 2003, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that a customer, except as follows:

Kevin Browne

Signature

DESIGNATED PRINCIPAL

Title

AND PRESIDENT

David P. Figueroa

Notary Public
DAVID P. FIGUEROA

Notary Public

My Commission Expires 01/31/2005

This report** contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☒ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☒ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- ☒ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☒ (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- ☐ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of solidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☐ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous
- ☒ (o) Independent auditor's report on internal accounting control.
- ☐ (p) Schedule of segregation requirements and funds in segregation--customers' regulated commodity futures account pursuant to Rule 171-5.

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 2003

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Hunting Party Securities, Ltd.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Hunting Party Securities, Ltd. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2003. This statement of financial condition is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit of the statement of financial condition provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hunting Party Securities, Ltd. as of December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 2, the accompanying statement of financial condition has been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As the Company continues to grow its operations, it is dependent upon obtaining new customers and additional working capital. This condition raises substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to this matter are also discussed in Note 2. The statement of financial condition does not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

Rothstein, Kass & Company, P.C.

Roseland, New Jersey
February 23, 2004

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2003

ASSETS

| | |
|--------------|------------------|
| Cash | \$ 56,611 |
| Other assets | <u>28,522</u> |
| | <u>\$ 85,133</u> |

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

Commitment and contingencies

Stockholder's equity

Common stock, \$.01 par value,
authorized 10,000 shares, issued and
outstanding 1 share

Additional paid-in capital

Accumulated deficit

\$ 94,455
(9,322)

Total stockholder's equity

\$ 85,133

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Nature of operations

Hunting Party Securities, Ltd. (the "Company"), was organized under the laws of the State of Delaware as a Corporation, is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD"). The Company engages primarily in private placements in listed Australian securities. The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Hunting Party Ltd. (the "Parent").

The Company does not carry accounts for customers or perform custodial functions related to securities. The Company will clear its securities transactions on a fully disclosed basis through its clearing broker.

In prior years December 31, 2002, the Company was in the development stage.

2. Going concern

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As the Company continues to grow its operations, it is dependent upon obtaining new customers and additional working capital. The Company is in the process of negotiating with potential customers to increase its revenue base and enable the Company to sustain profitable operations. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

3. Summary of significant accounting policies

Investment Banking Revenues

Investment banking revenues are recorded in accordance with the terms of the investment banking agreements.

Income Taxes

The Company files a consolidated income tax return with its parent. The income tax provision, including deferred income taxes (see Note 6), is determined as though the Company files stand-alone tax returns.

The Company complies with SFAS No. 109 "Accounting for Income Taxes" which requires an asset and liability approach to financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. Deferred income tax asset and liabilities are computed for differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities that will result in taxable or deductible amounts in the future based on the enacted tax laws and rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. Valuation allowances are established, when necessary, to reduce the deferred income tax assets to the amount expected to be realized.

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

4. Net capital requirement

The Company, as a member of the NASD, is subject to the SEC Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1. This Rule requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1 and that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. As of December 31, 2003, the Company's net capital was approximately \$57,000, which was approximately \$52,000 in excess of its minimum requirement of \$5,000.

5. Related party transactions

The Company has an Administrative Services Agreement (the "Agreement") with its Parent. The Agreement requires the parent to provide all services required by the Company to operate its business, including but not limited to, personnel, office facilities and services, office equipment and technology. The Company reimburses these expenses to the Parent as defined in the agreement. The Agreement expires May 1, 2007 and shall renew automatically for additional five-year periods unless terminated by either party. As of December 31, 2003, \$46,000 has been charged to the Company under this agreement.

Included in other assets is approximately \$22,000 due from its parent, which is non-interest bearing and due on demand.

6. Income taxes

At December 31, 2003, the Company has a federal net operating loss carryforward ("NOL") of approximately \$9,000 for income tax purposes, expiring in 2022. The NOL creates a deferred tax asset of approximately \$3,600. The Company also recorded a valuation allowance for the same amount due to the uncertainty of realizing the future tax benefit.

HUNTING PARTY SECURITIES, LTD.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7. Exemption from Rule 15c3-3

The Company is exempt from the SEC Rule 15c3-3 and, therefore, is not required to maintain a "Special Reserve Bank Account for the Exclusive Benefit of Customers."

8. Off-balance sheet risk

Pursuant to a tentative clearance agreement, the Company will introduce all of its securities transactions to its clearing broker on a fully-disclosed basis. All of the customers' money balances and long and short security positions are to be carried on the books of the clearing broker. In accordance with the clearance agreement the Company will indemnify the clearing broker for losses if any, which the clearing broker may sustain from carrying securities transactions introduced by the Company. In accordance with industry practice and regulatory requirements, the Company and the clearing broker will monitor collateral on the customers' accounts.

In the normal course of business, the Company's customer activities will involve the execution, settlement, and financing of various customer securities transactions. These activities may expose the Company to off-balance-sheet risk in the event the customer or other broker is unable to fulfill its contracted obligations and the Company has to purchase or sell the financial instrument underlying the contract at a loss.

9. Subsequent event

In February 2004, the Company entered into a clearing agreement with its clearing broker. In accordance with this agreement, the clearing broker required a \$25,000 clearing deposit from the Company.